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Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Species Election Requirement mailed August 25, 2006,

Applicants herewith elect, with traverse, Species 4, and submit that at least claims 1-7, 10-16, 20-37, 82-88, 91-96, 99-100, 102-105 and 107 are readable thereon, with at least claims 1, 4, 11, 13 and 35 being generic. Examination on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper (pages 2-23).

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 24 of this paper (pages 24-28).